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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Applicants petition for a two-month extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Please charge the \$400 fee to Shell Oil Company, Deposit Account No. 19-1800. An extra copy of this Petition is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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